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Eau Claire, WI –May 30, 2014–The Eau Claire City-County Health Department is warning the public about a rabid bat found in the City of Eau Claire on May 28, 2014.

“Rabies is one of the most deadly diseases known to humans. It is also completely preventable with prompt medical treatment,” said Lieske Giese, Director for the Eau Claire City-County Health Department.

Bats are considered by federal and state health authorities to be of high risk for carrying rabies. Any exposure to a bat should be reported to your physician immediately. Additionally please report any bat exposure to the Health Department at (715) 839-4718.

cc: Eau Claire County Communications Center

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